

Italian Technology Platform on Industrial Safety (PTISI)

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PTISI Platform is the Italian mirror site of ETPIS

Aims of PTISI:

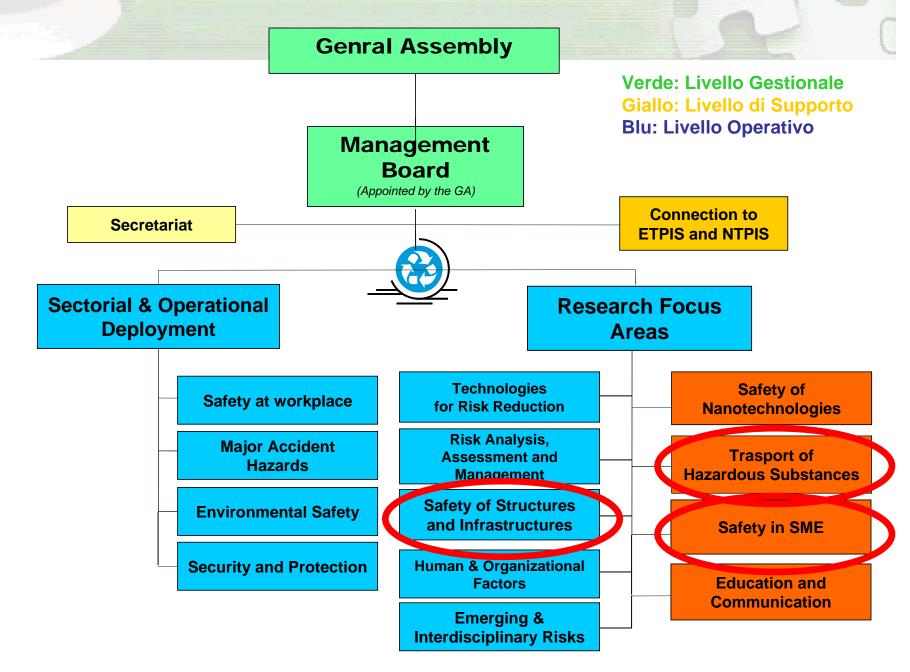
- **☑** Definition of a National Strategic Research Agenda
- **☑** Development of actions and common projects for Research, Technological Transfer and Education on strategic issues
- **☑** Coordination of actions with ETPIS and other National Platforms
- **☑** Coordination of actions at a National level
- ☑ Linking actions at European level with those promoted at a National level

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Specific issues of Industrial Safety in Italy:

- **☑** Limited size of companies (mostly SMEs)
- **☑** Extended use of public infrastructures for industrial aims (e.g. transport of hazardous materials by road or rail) due to geographical reasons
- **☑** Competencies on industrial safety mainly at a local level: <u>fragmentation</u> of technical and administrative competencies
- ✓ Strong aversion of the population to industrial risk (NIMBY & BANANA syndromes)

Structure of PTISI



PTISI - past activities

- **☑** Rome, January 17th, 2006: constitution of a working group for PTISI
- **☑** Bologna, February 28th, 2006: 1st General Assembly of PTISI. Definition of PTISI structure and managing board
- **☑** Milan, April 28th, 2006: 2nd General Assembly of PTISI. Presentation of the first draft of the Strategic Research Agenda
- **☑** Naples, May 23rd, 2006: Official Launch of PTISI. Discussion of Research Priorities based on the Strategic Research Agenda of PTISI.

Results of 8 months of PTISI Activities

- **☑** Strategic Research Agenda of PTISI (ARS)
- **☑** Prioritary framework projects for each Focus Group and research HUB
- **☑** Linking and promotion of ETPIS initiatives at a National level
- **☑** Exploitation of ARS and Prioritary Research Themes at a National Level

PTISI Priorities

- **☑** Improving Human Performance in Safety Critical Systems
- **☑** Analysis of the risk in the transport of hazardous substances in tunnels
- **☑** Advanced Methodologies for the Management of Industrial Risk
- **☑** Development of specific procedures for risk assessment in SMEs
- **☑** Development of a virtual assistance centre for SMEs by a network of competencies and of experimental devices
- **✓** Advancement of methods for the assessment of the Inherent Safety of Substances
- **☑** Structural integrity of industrial plants in accidents or in natural events
- **✓** Analysis of information strategies of industrial companies

Planned Activities

- Direct involvement of institutional and industrial actors in the framework projects
- More effective coordination at National/European level
- Technical Tables to create transversal technical boards for the discussion of safety-related problems
- Further extension of actors involved

